

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A system for determining layout of print  
data printed by a printer onto a recording medium,  
in which the recording medium is processed by a  
target device different from the printer. Printing  
capabilities of the printer and processing  
capabilities of the target device are both  
determined. Then, layout of the print data is  
determined based on compatible capabilities between  
10 the printing capabilities of the printer and the  
processing capabilities of the target device. The  
layout preferably is determined through  
communication with the printer and the target device  
so as to negotiate the layout.

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